A New Species of Oxytropis DC. (Leguminosae) from Xizang, China

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A new species of Oxytropis, O. tudanensis X.Y.Zhu, H.Ohashi & S.F.Li, is described from Xizang (Tibet), China.

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During our studies on Chinese Oxytropis, we found a specimen from Xizang (Tibet) which is considered to be a new species. It resembles Oxytropis falcata Bunge in north-western China, but this species differs from the new species in acaulescent habit with narrowly elliptic leaflets, membranous stipules, standard and wings round at apex (emarginate in the new species) and longer beak of keel (2–2.5 mm long against 0.4 mm long in the new species). The new species belongs to section Falcicarpa C.W. Chang of subgenus Oxytropis.

Oxytropis tudanensis X.Y.Zhu, H. Ohashi & S.F.Li, sp. nov. (Figs. 1-2).

Haec species ab *O. falcata* foliolis ellipticis vel ovatis, stipulis herbaceis, vexillo cum alis emarginato ad apicem, rostro carinae 0.4 mm longo differt.

Holotypus: China. Xizang (Tibet), Tudan (Tumen?), near Gela Mine Factory, Jinxiang Yang 1973, July 25, 1963 (PE).

Dwarf perennial subshrub, caudex with many branches. Stems ca. 5 cm tall, with internodes, with dense glandular or yellowish brown hairs. Leaves 2–3.5 cm long, rachides and petioles with yellowish brown

hairs; leaflets 6-8 pairs, elliptic or ovate, with glandular or yellowish brown hairs on both sides, 3.6-4.7 mm long, 2.1-3.1 mm wide; stipules herbaceous, broadly ovate, 4-5 mm long, 2-3 mm wide, pubescent, connate at base. Racemes with 2-5 flowers, 2-4 cm long, capitate, sometimes with glands, shorter than or as long as leaves; bracts linear or narrowly elliptic, 4-5 mm long, 0.4-0.5 mm wide, yellowish brown pubescent; bracteolate narrowly triangular, 1-1.5 mm long, ca. 0.5 mm wide. Calyx tubular, ca. 5 mm long, ca. 1.4 mm wide, 5-lobed, tube ca. 3 mm long, lobes subequal, subulate, ca. 2.5 mm long, ca. 0.3 mm wide. Corolla blue-violet; standard broadly ovate, ca. 8.6 mm long, ca. 8 mm wide, emarginate at apex, narrowed to base; wings clawed, lamina narrowly obovate, ca. 4.2 mm long, ca. 1.8 mm wide, tapering to a claw at base, claw ca. 2.8 mm long, ca. 0.4 mm wide, emarginate at apex, auriculate at base, auricles ca. 1 mm long, ca. 0.4 mm wide; keel clawed, lamina narrowly obovate, ca. 3 mm long, ca. 2 mm wide, auriculate at base, auricles ca. 0.4 mm long, ca. 0.4 mm wide, with a very short beak ca. 0.4 mm long. Androecia diadelphous, ca. 7.5 mm long.

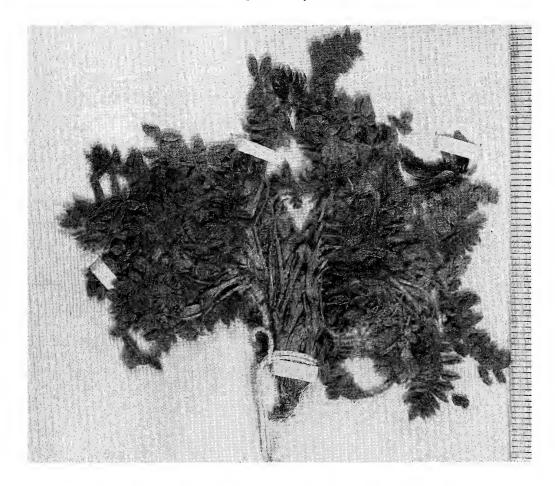


Fig. 1. Holotype of Oxytropis tudanensis X.Y.Zhu, H.Ohashi & S.F.Li.

Ovary tubular, ca. 4 mm long, ca. 0.5 mm wide, style incurved, subglabrous, ca. 2 mm

long. Pods unknown. Flowering in July.

朱 相雲*, 大橋広好*, 李 思峰^b: 中国西蔵産オ ヤマノエンドウ属 (マメ科) の1新種

中国西蔵からオヤマノエンドウ属の1新種を記載した. 本種は Oxytropis 亜属 Falcicarpa 節に属する種で,中国北西部に生育する O. falcata Bungeに近いが,小葉は楕円形から卵形,旗弁と翼弁は凹

頭, 龍骨弁の突起は非常に短い, などの特徴で区別できる.

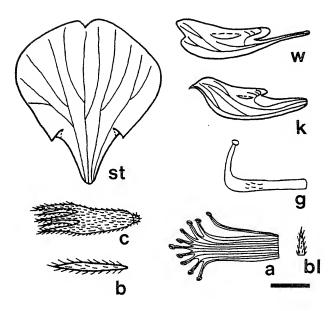


Fig. 2. Flower of *Oxytropis tudanensis*. st: standard (from inside); w: wing (from inside); k: keel (from outside); c:calyx; g: gynoecium; a: androecium dissected (from outside); b: bract (from outside); bl: bracteole (from outside). Scale bar = 1.5 mm.